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BARRY GILES

Giles Promoted By SouthTrust

Ted Roberts, Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer of SouthTrust Bank of Coffee County is pleased to announce the promotion of Barry M. Giles, to Senior Vice President and Senior Lending Officer.

Mr. Giles came to SouthTrust Bank of Coffee County in March of 1977 from Birmingham, and he and his wife, Kathy, and children, Amy, Warren, and Kara reside in Elba.

Mr. Giles graduated from the University of Alabama at Birmingham, in 1974 with a B.S. in Accounting and Business Administration, and also graduated from the School of Banking of the South, Baton Rouge, LA, in 1980.

Mr. Giles is a member of the Elba Methodist Church, the Rotary Club, The Industrial Board of the City of Elba, a past president and current director of the Elba Chamber of Commerce, a past member of the Jaycees, and a past president of the City of Elba Zoning Board.

City School Bus Drivers Complain To Board

More complaints were heard Thursday night from the school bus drivers who appeared before the Elba School Board in November.

The group had a prepared statement the first time, outlining their complaints. However at the January 11 meeting they voiced their complaints, which were basically repeats of their previous problems. They expressed concern that some of the buses were unsafe and they couldn't get anyone to listen to their concerns. One driver said the system for assigning drivers to out of town trips still wasn't working and safety around the bus lanes at the high school was almost nonexistent. They added that the safety inspection of the school buses following their last appearance by the state inspector was not properly done.

Superintendent Lamar Foley was obviously irritated at the exchange. He told the five drivers this was a problem which should have come to his attention before addressing the board with the issues. Foley said he had heard nothing from them since their last meeting on the above issues.

Foley explained that the buses received regular inspections by the local bus superintendent, plus any complaints noted on trip tickets by drivers were checked out; the buses were inspected by an authorized bus inspector from the state department and that he himself had on occasion driven buses to observe their performance and safety. He noted that a squeak or a rattle was not a safety hazard.

He explained that they drew trips from a hat to get basketball game assignments with full understanding that if a game was canceled, they lost a trip. He noted this was what the drivers wanted because they didn't like the previous method of assigning trips.

Foley also added that if a driver had a regular job at the school and would rather make bus trips "then you and I had better talk".

Complaints that congestion around the Jr. High wing of the high school concerned the drivers for the safety of the students. They also complained that motorists parked in the bus lanes and left their autos. Foley noted he had worked on this problem and was continuing to work with the principals and other administrative people to cure this problem.

Board Chairman G. A. Lindsey told the drivers, "In a private business, if I had unhappy employees, I would shut down until this was corrected or they were replaced. I feel this is what the school administration should do because the safety of our children is involved. I don't know how I can make it any plainer than that."

The drivers left after apologizing to Mr. Foley for not coming back to him with their continuing problems.

The board members heard a report on some complicated legislation, Project L I F E, which was scheduled for introduction in the Alabama legislature. It would attempt to equalize state education monies fairly to all school students. This is money other than the minimum program. It would be used in areas where students have shown need for additional work to meet state averages, or standards.

The system would be based on local needs and abilities to generate local funds. Each school system would be evaluated on needs, abilities and local effort and state funds distributed accordingly.

Charles Warren's resignation as junior was accepted and William Thigpen was moved from part time to full time janitor.

Lunchroom Supervisor Roland Powell gave board members a copy of a proposed *Policies and Procedure Handbook* for operation of the lunch and breakfast programs. They were asked to read the rough draft during the next few weeks and be ready to suggest revisions at the next monthly meeting.

The next meeting of the school board will be at 5:30 on February 8th.

A FIRST FOR COFFEE COUNTY

One Of State's First Two Women Game Wardens Is Assigned To Coffee County

Sandra Saville, a native of Memphis, Tennessee, was sworn in January 2, 1990 as a Game & Fish Conservation Enforcement officer by Game & Fish Director Charles D. Kelley.

Saville is assigned to Game & Fish Enforcement District XII and will serve in Coffee County under the supervision of Captain John Gargis. Saville and her husband, William, will live in New Brockton. They have four sons and two daughters.

Saville has a degree in political science and was formerly employed with the Eufrata Police Department.



Pictured are Officer Sandra Saville and Captain John Gargis

Mrs. Saville is one of eight new Conservation Enforcement officers employed with funds generated by the recent increase in hunting and fishing license fees. It is anticipated that these funds will enable the Game & Fish Division to fill a total of 25 critical vacancies in the Law Enforcement Section.

Of the eight individuals hired, two were women. These ladies are the first ever to be hired by the Game & Fish Division.

Game & Fish Division in the Law Enforcement Section. These officers were welcomed into the Law Enforcement Section and received basic orientation from Chief Enforcement Officer Dalton Halbrook and Assistant Chief Tim Cosby on January 2 and 3, 1990.

Applicants are currently being interviewed to fill the remaining vacancies.

OUTAGES MINIMAL DURING COLD SPELL

Elba Water & Electric Board Commends Work Performed By City Crews

Members of the Elba Water & Electric Board attended to the items on their agenda Tuesday evening, January 9, in an orderly manner and went home.

The board voted to pay the month's bills totaling \$12,775. A large portion of this amount, \$4,400, was for utility poles used in running new lines along Al. Hwy. 203. The city will be reimbursed for this expense by the state.

February and March meetings will be held on the second Monday per a request from the city council.

Councilman Randy Bedsole requested that the council meeting be moved to Tuesdays for these two months due to a conflict with his itinerary.

Chairman Mickey Murdock asked Mayor Fred Moore if the recording device used in monitoring the flow of electricity had been purchased as agreed upon at the last board meeting.

Mayor Moore told the board that two recorders purchased by the electrical department in earlier years had been found and they were in the process of being repaired. There will be no need to purchase a new recording device Moore advised.

The board was also informed that a recorder had been borrowed from the Covington Electric Co-Op and used to monitor the flow of electricity into a customer's residence.

There had been a complaint to the city electrical department that the flow of electricity to this home had caused a problem with the heating unit.

Mayor Moore showed the board the graphs resulting from the monitoring done on this residence. It showed clearly that no problem existed with the flow of electricity to the meter base during the time period monitored.

The board agreed that these devices could be very useful to the electrical department in the future. They would at least show whether or not the electrical problem was on the house side of the meter or the supplier's side.

Mayor Moore informed the board of the lowering of the city's fire rating from a 7 to a 6 by the ISO. He said that he would report back to them at a later date as to what they might possibly do to lower this rating further in the future.

Moore and the fire chief, Lloyd Driggers are to review the ISO report in detail before making any recommendations to the board.

Chairman Murdock asked the mayor to convey the board's appreciation to water and electrical crews for the work that was done during the extreme cold weather.

Outages were kept to a minimum by both departments.

Other matters coming before the board were as follows:

- Total amount of accounts receivable is \$3,240.
- Water samples taken from nine locations in the city system by the state are still perfect.
- Mayor reported that a van had been purchased and was being equipped by the water department. A dump body is being installed on the one ton truck replaced by the van. These vehicles should allow the water department to work independent of the street department when making repairs.
- Chairman Murdock advised board that Frank Enoch would review the city's computer system and make his recommendations as to changes that can be made to update the system.

Meeting adjourned!

Alcohol Is Involved In 50% Of All Fatal Traffic Accident

Almost 50 percent of fatal wrecks on Alabama roadways during the Christmas holidays involved drunken drivers, according to Col. Thomas H. Wells, director of the Alabama Department of Public Safety.

Wells said the 20 traffic fatalities recorded during Christmas was the highest in recent years. Eleven persons were killed in 1988, eight in 1987, two in 1986, and five in 1985.

At least six of the 13 fatal wrecks that occurred in Alabama between 6:00 p.m. December 22 and midnight, December 23 involved drunken drivers. Of the 20 persons killed, at least eight died in alcohol related wrecks. None of the 20 was wearing safety belts.

Wells also cited excessive speed as a contributing factor in at least nine of the fatalities.

"Drinking and driving is a deadly combination," said Wells.

"The most severe penalty or consequence of drunken driving is the death of a loved one," Wells said. "Alabama law, however, provides the means to deal firmly with those convicted of driving under the influence."

The DUI mandates loss of the driving privilege for 90 days and attendance of DUI school upon first conviction. Violators also may be fined and imprisoned. Subsequent conviction carry increasingly severe penalties.

Wells urges motorists to obey DUI law and speed limit laws and to wear safety belts at all times to help ensure their safety and that of other motorists.

For further information contact Public Information/Education at, (205) 242-4445.



RYAN WARD

RYAN WARD GETS A NEW ELECTRIC WHEEL CHAIR! This new specially equipped wheel chair will help Ryan to be more mobile on his own. He and his parents came by *The Elba Clipper* the other day and gave us a demonstration on how well he's adapting to his "new wheels". The special wheel chair is very expensive and a special bank account has been opened at The Peoples Bank so that anyone wishing to make a donation toward the expense of this chair may do so. Ryan is very sports minded, and attends all activities involving sports that he can talk Mom and Dad (Sharon & Robert Ward) into taking him to - "the chair" will certainly help in that and in school.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Veterans Service Office Resumes Normal Operating Schedule

Effective Tuesday, January 23, 1990, the Veterans Service Office will be in Elba resuming the normal operating schedule. The Elba office will be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. For more information contact Robert Lolley at 897-2924 on Tuesdays or Thursdays, or call 347-6450, Monday through Friday.



THE WALL OF FAME! The Elba Tiger football team, 3A Champs, signed the wall on the side of Haywood's Discount Drugs. Sometime back Ricky Haywood, owner of Haywood's Drug, had a mural of a tiger painted on the outside wall of the building. He said that the first Elba football team to bring a state championship home would be allowed to sign the wall. Well, last Friday that event took place as you can see!

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

When we talk about life being better now than "in the old days," we sometimes wonder. Compare plowing a mule with fishing with a cane pole. The only decision the person plowing that mule had to make was when to quit for the day. He knew before leaving home in the morning that when he got to the end of a row he just turned down the next row. In fact the mule probably did most of that after a few rounds. Then fishing with a cane pole is so simple... you bait the hook and sit and wait for the cork to be pulled under by the hungry fish grabbing your bait. No constant decision making to be had. Now going back to those simpler days would mean we would be without the computer this is written on, etc., therefore we will give you a good argument against any backing up. However sometimes it can all be nerve racking... like building a new jail with no money and only to make life nicer for law breakers. Heck the present jail is much better than most homes during "the good of days"!

We thought it was great when the 2,000 paratroopers returning from Panama to Ft. Bragg did it with an air drop. It was also a delight to the friends and family members gathered to welcome them home. The message we got from the exercise was that these men felt they had done the job they were trained to do and were returning home to a hero's welcome. They were right and we loved it. Wonder who thought up that idea? We asked Walter Cox if his son-in-law was in the jump, but he seems he came back a couple of days early as part of the advance party. Maybe he was the planner of the project!

It ain't easy being in the state legislature, we know this. But we are still amused when an issue comes up before them that the lawmakers just don't want to handle. Such is the abortion issue they are faced with this year. There are a lot of folks on either side of that matter putting some pretty strong words on folks who depend on the popular vote to retain their job... and don't kid yourself, they like the job and would like to keep that regular paycheck coming. Add the paycheck to the thrill they get from having the power and our public office holders really don't want to upset many more than a few newspaper writers. However this year they will upset a bunch, whichever way they vote (or if they don't vote at all) and this is what makes them call a bit. We would also, but then we chose to stay out of the fire in the beginning.

We remind Elba folks of the upcoming Chamber of Commerce banquet which will be held January 26. If you haven't gotten your tickets yet, it might be a good idea to do so today.

The Alabama legislature is faced with some mighty tough issues this year, but we don't expect a real debate on one bill introduced by Representative Ann Besole, of Mobile. She proposes that the official Alabama sea shell be designated. Of course the *Scaphella junonia zelandensis* is the front runner for that honor. We don't know what it looks like, but her bill would make that particular shell the official state sea shell, whatever that means. Gosh, some days get really exciting!

The adults in Selma, Alabama who are encouraging students to boycott the school system are breaking the law, we suspect. The laws in most states require students to attend school until at least age 16. We assume there are provisions in that law to punish individuals who "contribute to this delinquency." We have no knowledge of why they didn't renew the contract of the black superintendent. It may have been racial and again he may not be doing a good job. The folks protesting probably know about as much about the reasons as we know. We wonder how they would react next week if the school board named another black man to that position, which is what we would do if we could find a single qualified candidate!

C.C. United Way To Hold Mardi Gras Celebration

The Coffee County United Way announced the Second Annual Mardi Gras Celebration to be held at the Enterprise Civic Center on February 24, 1990.

The celebration will begin at 6:30 p.m. and end at midnight. Ticket costs covers the admission and a buffet dinner and is tax deductible.

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Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor:

Dog catchers and animal control officers probably are seen too much in a negative way. Please allow me to recognize Mr. Sam Andrews of the Elba Police Department.

After spending a relaxing Christmas at Reddick Hill House, my family prepared to leave only to find that our puppy had wandered away. Beyond our own affection and concern for this dog, there was also anxiety. Our "Ultra" was not merely a puppy, but a puppy in training to become a guide dog for the blind. Southeastern Guide Dog School in Palmetto, Florida used volunteer program to introduce the puppies to people but also to reduce costs so that each guide dog is furnished without charge to a blind person.

Thanks to the quick action of Mr. Andrews, the dog was found. Thanks to the pleasant corporation of the Elba Police Department, we paid a reduced fine and recovered our dog and our blind person's future guide.

Marshall Reddick told us of the hospital that marked your small town. Thanks to that shown by him, his family, and your police department, we guard a clear souvenir of this Christmas.

Respectfully Yours,

B. G. Carter

Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor:

The people of Gulf Shores and Baldwin County need your help! The Alabama Department of Environmental Management is about to issue a permit to Exxon (as in Valdez Oil spill specialists) to dump drilling mud just off the white sandy beaches of Gulf Shores at Ft. Morgan.

ADEM says that they have worked the permit so that it meets the law. That's where the people of this part of the state need your help. Call the governor's office immediately to register your concern (1-800-248-6889) or call your local State Representative or Senator. Tell them both that if there is not a law against such acts that you want one and that you want action on the Exxon drilling permit put off until such a law is on the books.

Six million people a year come to Gulf Shores and Orange Beach. Those of us who live here feel extremely fortunate and we are always glad to have our visitors from all over the world come to see our beaches and enjoy the sun, water, and fishing. We also feel a responsibility to the rest of the State of Alabama for the preservation of this treasure that the people of Texas, Louisiana, and Mississippi sure wish was with them.

I recently had an attorney friend from Biloxi, Mississippi ride with me from Perdido Point to Gulf Shores and make the statement, "No wonder Biloxi has such a problem with tourism - I never knew all of this was here." The beaches are just gorgeous." Exxon has said that the dumping will cause "negligible impact," maybe that's why they quit cleaning up their mess in Alaska - it caused only "negligible impact!"

We are concerned not so much about "negligible impact" as we are about the impact of Negligence. Please make your feelings known. Politicians will respond to voters. If enough of them call or write.

Sincerely,

Hal Callaway
P.O. Box 2523
Gulf Shores, AL 36542

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BROWNIE SCOUT TROOP #130 visited the Police Department recently. Officer Donnie Byrd showed the girls around the department and gave them some very helpful hints about things they shouldn't do. The girls that visited the department are: Vaughan Boyd, Bailey Harris, Corne Dorch, Karen Spruill, Kimberly Ward, Jessica Godsey, Tiffany Farris, Emilee Benbow, Jennifer Dyer, Tasha McDonald, Rasann McCollough, Katie Vaughan, Kristy Ward, Katie Sedberry, and helper Brandee Farris. Those not pictured are: Melissa Grantham and Leslie Stinson.

POLICE REPORT

The Elba Police Department's activities for the week beginning Tuesday, January 9, included the investigation of the following incidents: one criminal mischief, one vehicle accident, two assaults, one theft, two burglaries, and two harassments.

Arrests for the week included: one for failure to appear, one for writing bad checks, two for expired tag, two for driver's license required, six for speeding, one for harassment, one for criminal mischief, one for assault, one for driving while suspended (D.L.), and two for D.U.I.

Daily activity was as follows:
TUESDAY, JAN. 9
Rescue run to residence on Reynolds St. (9:10 a.m.); Grass fire on Taylor Mill Rd. (2:07 p.m.); Disturbance on Stroudmire St. (3:05 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 10
Wreck on Hwy. 84W (11:20 a.m.); Alarm @ GTE (1:15 a.m.); Rescue run to residence on Hwy. 84E (1:32 p.m.); Prowler @ Mullins Apts. (10:57 p.m.).

THURSDAY, JAN. 11
Wreck on Simmons At. (1:36 p.m.); Disturbance @ 512 Smith Ave. (5:04 p.m.); Fight @ Gray's Groc. (7:04 p.m.).

FRIDAY, JAN. 12
Rescue run to Cook Chev. Body Shop (7:45 a.m.); Rescue run to wreck on Hwy. 167 (9:18 a.m.); Rescue run to residence on Simmons St. (12:46 p.m.); Grass fire on Co. Rd. 40 (2:38 p.m.); Burglary on Caroline St. (6:37 p.m.).

SATURDAY, JAN. 13
Alarm @ residence on N. Clayton Ave. (6:10 a.m.); Grass fire (12:10 p.m.); Disturbance @ 1167 N. Morrow St. (1:16 p.m.); Wreck on Taylor Mill Rd. (6:51 p.m.); Rescue run to residence on Hwy. 84W (8:04 p.m.).

SUNDAY, JAN. 14
Burglary @ residence on Putnam St. (11:31 a.m.); Grass fire on Co. Rd. (12:32 p.m.); Routine activity.

Bulletin Board

S.S. REP. City Hall, 3rd Tues. 10:00-11:30. Call: 897-2296.
ROTARY CLUB - Mon. Noon - Ye Old Hickory Pt.
EASTERN STAR - 2nd & 4th Thurs. 7 p.m.
ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSN. - Thurs. 8 a.m. - Ye Old Hickory Pt.
JAYCEES - 1st & 3rd Thurs. 7 p.m. - Beaver Dam Restaurant
CITY COUNCIL - 2nd & 4th Mon. - 5 p.m.
LIONS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Tues. - 6:30 a.m. Beaver Dam Restaurant
ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD - 1st Thurs. 5 p.m. - Sup. Office
AMERICAN LEGION - 1st Thurs. 7:30 p.m. - Legion Hall, Troy Hwy.
RESCUE SQUAD - 2nd & 4th Tues. - 7 p.m. - Library
WATER & ELECTRIC - 2nd Tues. - 5 p.m. City Hall
MASONIC LODGE 178 - 1st Sat. & 3rd Mon. 7 p.m.
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HAND BOOSTERS - 1st Mon. 7 p.m. - Band Room
VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER - Tues. Thurs. 100 - 2, 30, 97-2924
NEW ALANON - Wed. 8 p.m. - Sr. Citizens Center
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COFFEE COUNTY CO-OP/INTERS ASSN. - 3rd Sat. - 3 p.m. - Elba House
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MONDAY, JAN. 15
Rescue run to residence on Reynolds St. (9:10 a.m.); Grass fire on Taylor Mill Rd. (2:07 p.m.); Disturbance on Stroudmire St. (3:05 p.m.).

Area Deaths

EUGENE GORDON MARLER
Eugene Gordon Marler, age 78, of Elba, Ala., died Wednesday, January 10, 1990 at Flowers Hospital in Dothan, Ala.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m., Friday, January 12, 1990 at Hayes Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Wayne Webber officiating. Burial followed in the Evergreen Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include one daughter, Agnes Wambles, Elba, Ala.; one grandchild; two great grandchildren.

Mt. Vernon Assembly To Hold Revival
Dennis Conger, an investment broker with A. G. Edwards, has graduated from the College for Financial Planning in Denver and is now a Certified Financial Planner.

Conger has been an investment broker in the Fort Walton Beach office of A. G. Edwards for 4 years. He is also a member of the DeFuniak Springs Rotary Club, where he is the secretary-elect.

He is married to the former Jean Kelley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Hollis Kelley, of Elba. A. G. Edwards is a St. Louis-based brokerage and investment banking firm with more than 370 offices nationwide.

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NOTICE OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

State Health Planning Agency
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AL-9087

For further information contact:
Mr. Charles E. Stewart
Executive Director
State Health Planning Agency
(205) 242-4103

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

An application for review pursuant to the provisions of Title 22, Chapter 21, Article 9, Code of Alabama, 1975 and issuance of a Certificate of Need for the conversion of twelve (12) acute care beds to long term nursing home beds has been approved by the State Health Planning Agency.

Mr. Charles E. Stewart, Executive Director of the State Health Planning Agency said the Health Planning Agency has issued a Certificate of Need for the proposed conversion of beds in the amount of \$3.0 dollars.

The project sponsor, Health Care Authority of Elba, Mrs. Ellen Peterson, Administrator.

1-18-11c

ESTATE OF P. J. YOUNG DECEASED

PROBATE COURT

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 9th day of January, 1990, by the Hon. Marion B. Brunson Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, notices are hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law and the same will be barred.

/s/ RUBY CILE YOUNG

1-18-11c

TO: DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, DELEGATES AND MEMBERS OF THE ALABAMA PEANUT PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT THE DIRECTORS OF THE ALABAMA PEANUT PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 1, ARTICLE IV, OF THE BY-LAWS OF THE ASSOCIATION HAVE SCHEDULED THE ANNUAL MEETING AS FOLLOWS:

TIME: 10:00 A. M., FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1990

PLACE: HOUSTON COUNTY FARM CENTER, 1897 ROSS CLARK CIRCLE, SE DOTHAN, ALABAMA 36301

1-18-11c

NOTICE

Pursuant to Section 32-13-1 et seq. Code of Alabama, the undersigned gives notice that a 1978 Datsun, VIN: HLB1078336, Virginia License PCN 225, and registered to Christian D. Thayer, will be sold as an abandoned motor vehicle for cash to the highest bidder at public auction on the 12th day of February, 1990, between the legal hours of sale at the Coffee County Courthouse, Elba, Alabama.

MICHAEL PATRICK, by: Steven E. Blair Attorney At Law P.O. Box 1436 Enterprise, AL 36331 1-11-21c

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE NOTICE

Default having been made in the terms of a mortgage executed to THE COVINGTON COUNTY BANK OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA, by PERRY L. STRICKLIN and DOTTIE STRICKLIN, on July 25, 1988, and recorded in the Office of the judge of Probate of Coffee County, Alabama, in Real Property Book 87-A, pages 443-444, and said default continuing, the said COVINGTON COUNTY BANK OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA, will sell at public outcry for cash to the highest bidder in front of the Courthouse door of said Covington County, between the legal hours of sale, on March 8, 1990, the following described property, to-wit:

Nine acres of land, more or less, being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a point on the West margin of the Elba-Troy paved highway where the North forty line of the SW1/4 of NW1/4 of Section 21, intersects said West margin and running thence Southerly along said highway right-of-way 945 feet, more or less, to a point, thence Northerly to a point on the North forty line of the SE1/4 of NW1/4 of Section 21, intersects said West margin and running thence Southerly along said highway right-of-way 945 feet, more or less, to a point, thence Westerly 776 feet, more or less, to a point, thence Northerly to a point on the North forty line of the SE1/4 of NW1/4 of Section 21, which is 990 feet, more or less, West of the starting point, which said parcel of land lies in the SW1/4 of NW1/4 of Section 21, and SE1/4 of NW1/4 of Section 20, lying and being in Township 6, Range 20, and being in Township 6, Range 20.

Said Sale is made for the purpose of paying the mortgage debts and costs and expenses of foreclosure. COVINGTON COUNTY BANK OF ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA, BY: BENTON H. PERSONS ATTORNEY FOR MORTGAGEE POST OFFICE BOX 974 ANDALUSIA, ALABAMA 36420 (205) 222-3108 1-18-3TC

THINK ABOUT OUR FUTURE ENVIRONMENT RECYCLE NOW

LEGAL NOTICES

ESTATE OF RAY L. JOHNSON DECEASED

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 12th day of January, 1990, by the Honorable Marion B. Brunson Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Elba Division, Alabama, notices are hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Crete Johnson 1-18-11c

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

Notice is hereby given that the co-partnership heretofore existing between Cecil E. Pope and William Rufus Pope under the fictitious name and style of Pope Brothers at Packing House Road in Elba, Coffee County, Alabama, is now dissolved by mutual consent.

Cecil E. Pope of Route 2, Elba, Alabama, has retired and for that reason has withdrawn from and has ceased to be associated in the business of said business. William Rufus Pope will hereafter carry on said business as a sole partnership and will be totally responsible for all business obligations hereafter incurred.

Said co-partnership is dissolved as of December 31, 1989, at midnight.

CECIL E. POPE WILLIAM RUFUS POPE 1-18-11c

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

Relating to Coffee County; to authorize for an optional procedure for renewal, and regulate the issuance of, to motor vehicle license tags, boat licenses, and business licenses by mail; to authorize a fee for such services; to authorize periodic mailing of notices for renewal of said licenses and tags.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

SECTION 1. The term "licensing officer," as used in this act, shall mean the judge of probate, commissioner of licenses or other officer charged with the duty of issuing motor vehicle licenses, boat licenses and business licenses in Coffee County.

SECTION 2. (a) The licensing officer may if he elects to do so, mail an application for renewal of motor vehicle licenses to whom such license has been previously issued. Such renewal forms may be in post card form and with sufficient information thereon to adequately identify and process such renewal. The signature of the licensee thereon and proper remittance shall constitute sufficient authority for the licensing officer to issue such license and return to the licensee by mail.

(b) The signature of the licensee thereon and proper remittance shall constitute sufficient authority for the licensing officer to issue such license and return to the licensee by mail. When an application is returned to the licensing officer, unsigned or when less than the correct amount of the taxes and fees due thereon have been paid, due to a change of address or other causes, such application shall be returned to the owner for correction or

(b) With regard to boat licenses and business licenses, and renewals thereof, the licensing officer may, if he elects to do so, mail applications for renewal of licenses to whom such license has been previously issued. Such renewal forms shall contain sufficient information thereon to adequately identify and process such renewal. The boat owner or business licensee, if he is still the owner or is subject to business licensing and if he desires to pay by mail shall indicate thereon any change of address, sign the application form and return the same by mail together with his remittance for fees as shown thereon to the licensing officer.

SECTION 3. (a) All applications for renewal for motor vehicle tags, boat licenses and business licenses by mail and the correct amount of taxes and fees shall be received by the licensing officer on or before the 20th day of the month for which motor vehicle licenses tag, boat license or business license renewal is due and payable, and the licensing officer shall mail such renewal on or before the last day of the month. Money orders and checks for the payment of such taxes and fees shall be made payable to the licensing officer.

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for signature. A return of such application or remittance shall not, however, extend the time with which the license fees are due, or taxes may be paid or tag secured. If more than the correct amount of taxes and fees is received, the licensing officer shall retain the correct amount of taxes and fees and return the excess.

SECTION 4. There is hereby established a fee to be entitled "Mail Order Fee" which shall be set from time to time by the County Commission to pay the cost of the mailing procedure herein provided, and such fee shall be collected by the licensing officer at the time of issuance and paid over to the general fund of the County as are other fees and commissions.

SECTION 5. The provisions of this act are severable. If any part of the act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration shall not affect the part which remains.

SECTION 6. All laws or parts of laws which conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 7. This act shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Governor, or upon its otherwise becoming a law.

Learn Red Cross CPR.

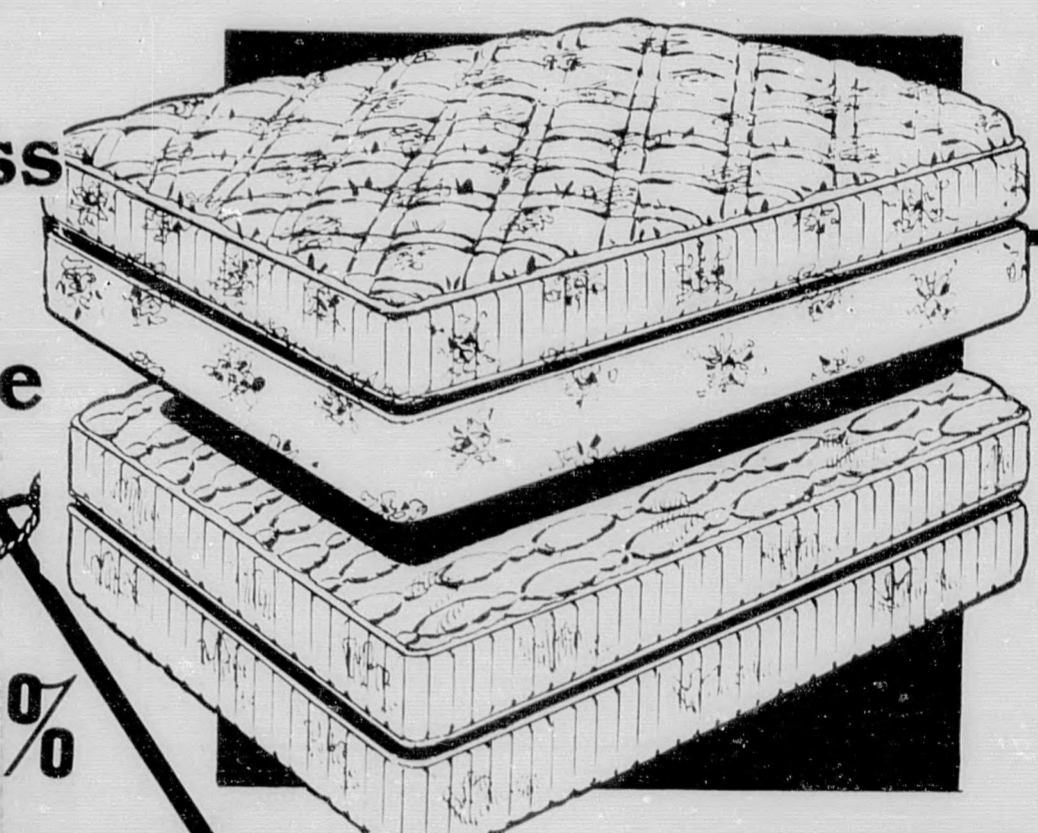
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Social News

K.D. Thomason Honored On 80th Birthday



K.D. (Tommy) Thomason was honored on his 80th birthday at the home of his daughter and son-in-law, JoAnne and Freddie Rainer. The whole family enjoyed a fish fry with all the trimmings.

Pictured: (1st row: L. R.): Doug, Lori Beth, and Adam; (2nd row: L. R.): Ricky, Cathy, Will, Freddie, Bonnie, Tommy JoAnne, Melanie, Ashleigh and Steve. Tommy wrote this Christmas card to his family:

A Christmas Carol To My Family - 1980

First there was Bonnie with charms untold, I love her more as we grow old.

Then came JoAnne - lo and behold, she is the one with the heart of gold.

Along came Freddie - like a son to me, what a job they did with Ricky and Melanie.

How about Cathy? She gave us a thrill, with Doug, Lori Beth, and dear little Will.

Now there's Steve, so handsome and tall, we love him too - but that ain't all.

There's Aubrey, Adam, and sweet little Ashleigh, who could ask for a better family?

If I were offered millions, I wouldn't swap a one of them for the U.S. Mint.

Thank you Lord for all you've done. Please bless us each and every one.

Merry Christmas, Love, Paw Paw

C.C. Arts Alliance To Present 'Three On A String'

"Three On A String" presented by the Coffee County Arts Alliance will perform Saturday, January 20 at 7:30 p.m. at the Enterprise High School auditorium.

Tickets are on sale at "The Jewel Box" in Elba. Advance tickets may be purchased at a reduced price.

TO MY VALUED CUSTOMERS

As of January 2, I will be associated with **THE MAGIC MIRROR BEAUTY SALON**. You may call me at 897-2835 (Pretty Boutique Number) or 897-6900 for your appointment.

JANIE WADDELL

Azalea Garden Club Meets At Library

The January meeting of the Azalea Garden Club was held on Wednesday, January 10, at the Elba City Library.

Hostess for this affair were Mrs. Mayo Prescott and Mrs. Lloyd Crook.

Mrs. Jim Driscoll, club president, called the meeting to order by leading the Club Collier.

After welcoming members and a visitor, Mrs. Curtis Smith, Mrs. Driscoll called for routine business.

Mrs. W. W. Cox presented the minutes.

Treasurer's report, bringing to date the reported sales and special projects of November and December activities of the Club.

Mrs. Cox made a report on the Adopt A Mile clean-up project.

Mrs. Betty Vaughan reported to the club that the Christmas decorations at the clubhouse were in order. Also, many expressed to her how much the candles added to decor at night in the windows.

Copies of 1990 Vision of Beauty were passed out.

Mrs. Iva McCreary spoke to the subject Arbor Day.

Mrs. Driscoll asked that the club accept Mrs. Danny James verbal resignation. She also read an invitation from Enterprise Junior Women's Club to attend an evening of dancing at the Ft. Rucker Officers' Club on February 3rd.

Mrs. Bill Brunson, who became a member received special recognition.

The February meeting was announced to be held at the Colony Inn on February 14th, at 10 a.m.

Completing the business, Conservation chairman, Mrs. McCreary gave a most informative paper on "Get The Garden Going."

Colorful home-grown camellias, in an attractive arrangement, added color and beauty to the entertainment area where the hostess served party refreshments to Mrs. McCreary, Mrs. Cox, Mrs. Vaughan, Mrs. Driscoll, Mrs. Reeves, Mrs. Brunson, Mrs. Vivian O'Leary, Mrs. Ruth Inman, Mrs. Curtis Smith, Mrs. Dot Zimmerman, Mrs. Nellie Martin.

The paternal grandparents of Mr. McNaughton are Mr. and Mrs. Richard McNaughton of Durand, W.I. Maternal grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. Harold Stewart of Rhineclander, W.I.

The wedding will take place April 7 at 3:00 p.m. at Westside Baptist Church. All friends and relatives are invited to attend the ceremony and reception to follow in the church's recreation building.

On Wednesday afternoons, children are picked up at school and transported to the church for snacks and recreation. At 4:15, the graded choir program offers music training for children in three age ranges: 4 and 5 year olds, 1st - 3rd graders, and 4th - 6th graders. Immediately following church at 5:15, parents are encouraged to join their children for Family Night Supper. Cost is 75¢ for children and \$1.50 for adults.

Beautifully wrapped gifts were presented to the bride-elect on January 14, 1990 from two unit three-hundred in the afternoon in the lovely home of Mrs. Buddy Bowers.

The front entrance of the Bowers home was beautifully decorated with an elliptical shaped wreath tied with a country blue and mauve bow, interspersed with matching ribbons joining two white doves.

Mrs. Bowers welcomed guests who were registered by Miss Tiffany Tew, a friend of the bride.

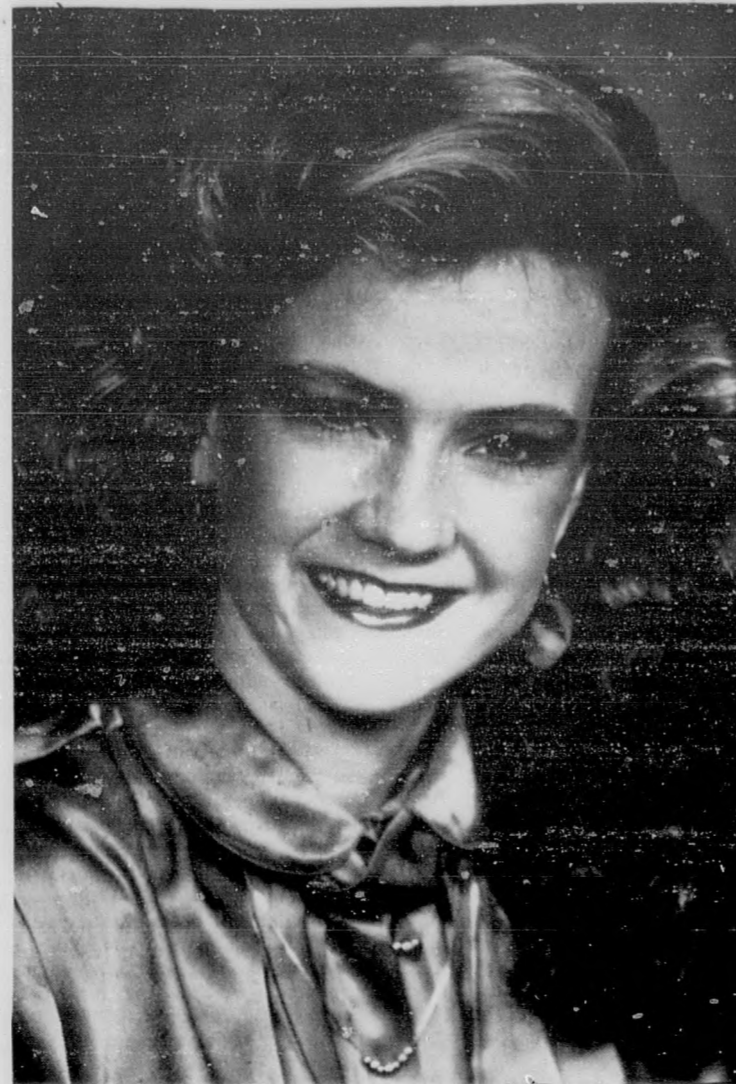
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Miss Amison To Wed Mr. McNaughton In April

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PASTOR'S CORNER

Rev. George Sedberry
Elba United Methodist Church

As we step through the door into a new year, it should be an exciting experience. Yet for millions of people the adventure of entering the new year is over-shadowed by fear.

Fear strikes people of all ages and every walk of life. Not long ago a group of scholars met in Chicago. They listened as noted scientists gave their gloomy predictions for the next twenty-five years. Shortages, financial depressions, worldwide famines, natural disasters, drug abuse, crime and other calamities were discussed. Little wonder many people fear the new year with so many doom and gloom prophecies running around.

Despite the negative reports of many of these negative experts the now fear is filled with fantastic possibilities. There are many exciting prospects for the year ahead. Yet, fear can destroy it for us like a drop of ink in a glass of water, a little is enough to color everything.

Fear does not depend on how good or how bad things really are. It depends upon our perceptions and our response to them. Fear can tie us in knots. It can paralyze our thinking and our actions. It can make life miserable if we are not careful.

What is fear? The dictionary defines it as a "painful emotion marked by alarm or dread or disquiet." Healthy fear keeps us from endangering our lives and the lives of others.

But the kind of fear that burdens is something else. Anxious fear freezes and kills. Again and again Jesus would say: "Fear not." Don't be afraid. Psychologist tell us there are four crippling fears:

(1) The fear of want;
(2) The fear of suffering;
(3) The fear of failure; and
(4) The fear of death.

But the comforting truth is that God in His Word provides the solution to each of these.

The key to overcoming fear is faith; Faith in God. He loves us and holds the future in His hands. A quote on a calendar reads "God will not allow anything to come to you this year that has not first been screened through His love."

Will it be fear or faith for you this year? You have a choice.

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SGA Teacher and Student of the Month
By: Stephen Berry
The Student Government Association (SGA) sponsored by Tom Moates, began a new program for the second semester of the school year. The program began in order to honor teachers and students for their hard work, achievements and service to their school. The Student of the Month is chosen by the faculty. The SGA Teachers of the Month are chosen by the SGA.

Teacher of the Month for January 1990, is Mrs. Mary Herbert. Mrs. Herbert teaches math. She has been teaching at Zion Chapel for the past eighteen years. Mrs. Herbert graduated from Pike County High School in Brundidge in 1965. She was valedictorian of her class. She graduated from Troy State University in 1971 with a B. S. degree. Mrs. Herbert served as Beta Club sponsor for fifteen years and is currently one of the Junior Class sponsors.

The Student of the Month for January 1990, is Wesley John McWaters. Wesley is a senior and has been attending Zion Chapel for the last thirteen years. Wesley is a member of the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), and is president of the Future Farmers of America (FFA). He is captain of the Zion Chapel Rebel Band. His hobbies are being around his friends at school and having fun together. His favorite teachers are the ones that took time to have an impact on his life. After graduation Wesley plans to attend a technical college where he will be studying Computer Science.



Shown above - left to right: Jennifer Flowers, Camille Haynes, Aimee Routzong, Pam Evans, and Donna Holcomb.

FBLA Enters Talent Competition

By: Camille Haynes
The Zion Chapel Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) recently entered a "Jazz Combo" into the Talent Competition of the annual FBLA District meeting.

The combo members are Camille Haynes - tenor saxophone, Jennifer Flowers - clarinet, Pam Evans - trombone, Aimee Routzong - trumpet, and Donna Holcomb - snare drum. They will play a series of jazz pieces.

The group was selected along with seven other talent groups. The Jazz Combo will test the student's ability to listen to each other while playing their musical techniques and fundamentals, and their ability to express the music in a way that pleases the audience.

The music played by the group was written by Mr. Ralph Ford, director of Troy State University Jazz Band, and husband of Zion Chapel's Band Director, Amanda Ford.

The District meeting will be held at Smiths Station, Alabama on March 10. If the group wins the district talent competition they will later play at the State Convention on April 7.

Concert Band's Season Begins

By: Stacey Black

The Zion Chapel Band recently began their concert season with an after-school rehearsal. The band practiced for almost two hours. They sighted pieces of music (music they had never seen or played), and tried to select the right pieces to play. The music the band selects for the concert season will be played at district and possibly the state contest. The band will have to play three pieces of music in these two contests. The Concert Band and Mrs. Ford, band director, selected two pieces, a march entitled, "Saint Michel" written by K. L. King and "Northstar Overture", written by John O'Riley. King has composed hundreds of marches and the Zion Chapel Concert Band is known for playing his and O'Riley's music in the past years.

The Concert Band will begin all their concerts with "Saint Michel", and will be followed by "Northstar Overture". The third piece of music will be decided upon in the near future.

Science Projects Due In February

By: Tate Gatlin

Students at Zion Chapel are beginning work on their science fair projects. Science projects are required from all of Mrs. Anita Grant's science classes.

The purpose in doing science projects is to stimulate young people's interest in science, math and engineering. It also provides educational experiences through participation in scientific research, gives public recognition to students for the work they have done, and gives students an opportunity to interact with professional scientists.

For the science project an experiment and research report are expected along with a display. The display board will consist of a back 48 inches wide and two sides 30 inches wide. On the display a person should have a title, an abstract, data, (graphs), and a conclusion. Other items to be included are photos, procedure, models, purpose, and equipment.

The students will have some time to work on experiments in class. The projects are due 3rd week in February.

Bus Drivers Attend Workshop

By: Aimee Routzong

Recently the bus drivers of the Co-Op County School System attended a workshop to get their licenses re-certified.

The drivers must go yearly for re-certification for their licenses. Many of the drivers attended Enterprise State Junior College (ESJC) January 6 from 9:00 a. m. to 1:00 p. m. During this four-hour course, Bernie Sullivan, instructor, gave lectures, showed a film, and gave the students a written test. Mr. Sullivan is a member of the Covington County Board of Education, and also, a former teacher at Zion Chapel.

Mr. Sullivan said that he hoped that it would be, because she is looking forward to using the computers in, that will be used.

Renovations include putting up paneling, and putting in outlets in which to plug the computers in, that will be used.

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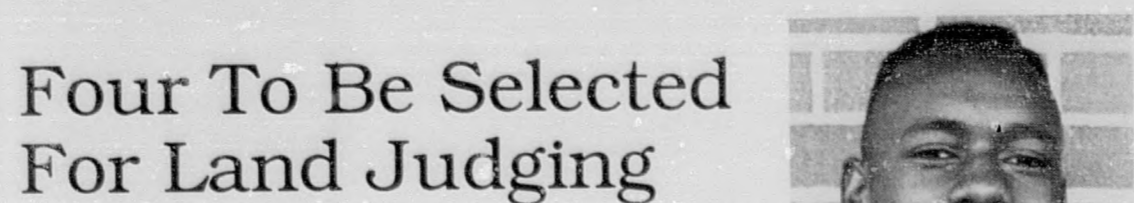
MRS. CHRIS SUTLEY AND MRS. JOANNE JONES are pictured with the fourth grade class and their Alabama Scrapbooks.

4th Grade Constructs Alabama Scrapbooks

By: Stephanie Goodson

Mrs. Joanne Jones and Mrs. Chris Sutley's fourth grade classes recently had to construct an Alabama Scrapbook. Twenty-two different articles were required to be placed in the scrapbooks. Some of these things included maps of the state, the Great Seal of Alabama, the state flag, and many sheets of facts about Alabama. A map of Coffee County with Zion Chapel's location and the students home location was also required for the scrapbook.

Each fourth grader was required to turn in a scrapbook. There were no exceptions since the assignment was made in September.



WALLACE DANIELS

CO-OP Spotlight

By: Jason McLeod

Mr. Harold Stewart's first period class is preparing for land judging. Four people out of the class will be selected for the team according to how well they demonstrate their ability to judge land.

There are three different parts to a land judging contest. The first part is on cropland. In cropland a person determines if present/future use is necessary, if treebreaks are needed, and how to control undesirable trees and bushes. Knowing how to judge land will help in the future when these people purchase land.

The second part is pastureland. In judging pastureland, a person must determine the fertilizer to use and if time should be applied. How to control brush and trees is also determined. The type of erosion control is determined also.

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Seniors Of The Week

By: Kevin Matthews

REGINA FREE is the 17-year-old daughter of Joe and Becky Free. She is a member of the Spanish Club, FBLA, Junior Music Club, Annual Staff, Tiger Tales Staff, and secretary of Mu Alpha Theta and attends the Basin Baptist Church. Regina's favorite movie is "Gone With The Wind", and her favorite singer is George Strait. After graduation she plans to attend Troy State University and major in Accounting.

HEATHER VACA is the 17-year-old daughter of Paul and Diane Macon. She is a member of VICA and attends the Mt. Vernon Baptist Church. Her favorite rock group is Bon Jovi, and her favorite movie is "Beaches". After graduation she plans to go to college and get an education and get married.

KENNETH KING is the 17-year-old son of O. C. and Judy King. He is a member of VICA and his favorite singer is Ricky Van Shelton. After graduation Kenneth plans to have a long and fulfilling life with lots of enjoyment.

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VIEWS FROM

THE PRESSBOX

BY RICKY MULARZ

The 7th annual Coffee County Junior High basketball tournament was held last weekend at the Elba High gym and while the tournament went great and Elba teams placed first and second in the two divisions, I can assure you there were a bunch of folks who were glad to get back to the house after a very busy Saturday. About a dozen volunteers joined me at the gym and worked throughout the day to help make the tournament success and that meant staying at the gym from before 8:00 a.m. until after 9:00 p.m. The action Saturday was non-stop with a total of eight games played, and while a bunch of us got more than a little tired, we were all more than happy to do it for the kids!

ELBA TIGERS WIN TWO TO TOP RECORD TO 6-5

The Elba Tigers pulled out of their slump last week to post two wins in three games and in doing so topped their record to 6-5. The Tigers opened the week with a disappointing loss to Clayton, a game in which the Tigers blew an eight-point lead in the final six minutes of the game, but followed it up with big wins over Louisville and Opp. It would have been nice to win all; however, when you're 4-5, you'll take all you can get!

The Area loss to Clayton was a big blow to the Tigers Area title hopes, but in the game the Elba players began to resemble the folks who I had been expecting all season. The players got after the ball every single minute of the game, played as hard as they could and never quit, even after watching Clayton rally late to take the lead. In the win over Louisville, the players came out sluggish and almost got ambushed by a much improved Red Devil squad, but when the chips were down the Tigers staged a furious fourth quarter rally and went going away. Any time you win down in Opp it's something to get excited about and such was the case Friday night as the Tigers defeated the Bobcats. Elba had a bad start, but all in all may have played their best game of the season. Yep, 3-0 would have been better than 2-1, but things are looking better and we'll take it!

One player who has caught the attention of all Elba fans has been Ronald McKinnon. McKinnon was a terror at linebacker during football season and has always been an aggressive player in basketball; however, this season the junior forward has picked his game up a notch and has become a complete player. He will still jump in your jersey on defense and hound you to death and now has developed a solid jump shot that is hitting its mark. Someone said Friday night that it would be bad to be playing Elba and find out McKinnon had you one-on-one, and while I agree, it may soon be just as bad to have to guard him!

AREA BASKETBALL TEAMS ON A ROLL ...

It was a good week for all the area basketball teams as every team enjoyed at least one win. Here it looks like at mid-January:

***NEW BROCKTON improved its record to 13-1 last week and has moved up to third in the state 2A rankings. The Gamecocks have the chemistry that it takes to win a bunch of games and more than enough talent to beat anyone. The Gamecocks have good outside shooting from Michael Smith and Tony Newson and powerful inside play from Malcolm Knox, Robert Kilow and Chris Lasseter. A deadly combination for Gamecock opponents.

***KINSTON chalked up two wins last week and appear to be over its mid-season slump. The Bulldogs have a solid club in all areas and one of the better 1-2 inside combinations in 1A with 6-3 Brandy Nobles and 5-9 Robert Laramore. So, if the Bulldogs can get a little confidence and pick up the intensity level a notch, watch out!

***ZION CHAPEL stood at 8-8 going into the week and the Rebels are still one of the most dangerous teams around. The Rebels have the talent to win, but they have enough talent to win on any given night against any team around. I still haven't figured these guys out; however, you can bet Coach Tom Walker and his players will get after it when they lose the ball.

***BRANTLEY topped its slate to 9-2 last week and in spite of the wins the Bulldogs appear to be a club that is still looking for an identity. Brantley has a close knit group of players that have been together for many years and have grown up together, and they have an outstanding 2A club. It just seems like the Bulldogs don't have a style of their own and wait to see what their level of competition is going to be before deciding how hard they are going to play. Compton Bulldogs, play your game every time you hit the court. It's a winning combination!

ELBA TEAMS DO WELL IN COUNTY TOURNEY

The 7th annual Coffee County Junior High Basketball Tournament was held last week in Elba and it was a very successful tournament for the home folks as the 8th graders won the county title, the 9th graders placed second and Elba players were named the most valuable players in both events.

The Elba 8th graders were considered one of the teams to watch going into the tourney, but easily disposed of two opponents and left no doubt that they were the best team in the 8th grade event. The Tigers had blow-out wins over Enterprise and Dauphin and both could have been much worse, if not for Coach Frank Phillips pulling'em off! In the title game Elba was pitted against Dauphin, a team that the Tigers had split with during the regular season, but it was no contest as Elba led 72-29 in the third quarter and coasted to the win. An awesome performance by an outstanding young team!

The Elba 9th graders had a lackluster season and carried a 2-10 record into the county tournament. So, no one expected the Tigers to hang around long. That is no one except Coach John Tucker and his players! The Tigers surprised Enterprise in the opening round, defeated Kinston in the semifinals and battled undefeated Dauphin tooth-and-nail until the final buzzer before falling in the finals. The 9th graders had every ounce of energy and desire they had out on the court and won the hearts of the Elba fans for their efforts. Great job!

NEW BAMA COACH ON THE HOT SEAT ALREADY

I have read everything about new Alabama coach Gene Stallings I could find and while I think he is an excellent coach, you know he is on the hot seat when he is called a cross between Bear Bryant and John Wayne. The coach will take a while to get established in his new surroundings and will do a good job, if everyone will let him do his job and not expect any sudden miracles.

ELBA TIGER BASKETBALL

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SPORTS

Elba stops Opp 72-61

The Elba Tigers closed out a busy week of action on the road Friday night in Opp and turned in one of their best performances of the season as they pounded the Opp Bobcats 72-61.

The win was the second straight for the Tigers and upped their record to 6-5, while Opp saw its record slip to 3-8 with the loss.

Ronald McKinnon hit two straight jumpers in the opening minute of play to give the Tigers a quick 4-0 lead and the Tigers never looked back in the opening stanza as Bennie Daniels poured in 11 points, including nine on three-pointers, to grab a 19-12 advantage.

A three-pointer by Shane Spurlin upped Elba's lead to 22-12 at the start of the second quarter and it looked like a rout was on the way; however, the Bobcats had different ideas and chopped the Tiger lead to 29-24 with 4:05 left in the half on a short jumper by Jamie Hinton.

Opp closed to within 29-28 with 2:25 left in the quarter and then took its first lead of the night at 30-29 with 1:49 left. Bennie Daniels scored four quick points to spark an Elba rally late in the half and by the end of the quarter the Tigers were back in charge with a 37-32 advantage.

Elba saw its lead shrink to 38-36 early in the third quarter, however, David Rowe nailed a pair of long

jumpers and Ronald McKinnon hit a shot from the top of the circle to spark a rally that enabled the Tigers to go ahead 44-36 with 5:41 left in the stanza!

Elba's lead went to 50-40 on a driving layup by Kevin Barnes with 2:09 left and when Barnes hit a three-pointer at the 1:49 mark, the Tigers had their biggest lead of the night at 55-42.

The Tigers scored four straight points to open the final stanza as their lead went to 59-44 and it was all over but the shouting with 4:13 remaining when a basket by Bennie Daniels gave the Tigers a whopping 64-47 cushion.

Elba emptied its bench in the closing minutes and the reserves more than held their own as the Tigers coasted in with the 72-61 win.

Bennie Daniels scored 25 points, including 17 in the first half, to lead the Tigers, while Ronald McKinnon added 14. Jamie Hinton scored 22 for Opp and Aaron Highower added 14.

E 19 18 18 17 - 72
O 12 20 12 17 - 61

Elba (72): Daniels 25, Spurlin 3, McKinnon 14, Rowe 4, Jones 7, Barnes 7, Stoudemire 8, Bogan 4, Opp (61): Rogers 6, Silar 5, Williams 3, R. Hightower 10, A. Hightower 14, Hinton 22.

Clayton tames Tigers 63-60

The Elba Tigers saw an eight point lead evaporate in the closing minutes of the game last Monday night as the Clayton Tigers rallied to post a 63-60 win, at the Elba gym.

The loss dropped Elba's record to 4-5, 2-1 in Area 3 action, while Clayton improved its record to 8-3 with the win and upped its Area 3 slate to 4-1.

Clayton opened the game using an aggressive defense to set up its high powered running attack and jumped ahead 10-4, only to see Elba rally and hit 5 of 7 free-throws to close within 17-13 by the end of the stanza.

Elba's Phil Boggan began to get inside the Clayton defense in the second quarter and the 6-3 senior poured in six points to pace a Tiger rally that chopped the Clayton lead to 29-28 by intermission.

Bennie Daniels, who failed to score in the first half, began to find

the range in the third quarter and with the aid of Curry Jones, the Tigers took command as they ran away to grab a 42-32 advantage.

Elba's lead stood at 52-44 with 6:13 left in the game and it looked like the Tigers would keep their Area 3 record unblemished; however, Clayton rallied in the closing minutes and hit 7 of 9 free-throws down the stretch to claim the win.

Curry Jones scored 13 points to lead Elba, while David Rowe added 11 and Ronald McKinnon scored 10. Patterson led Clayton with 16 points.

C 17 12 13 21 - 63
E 13 15 20 12 - 60

C'ton (63): Patterson 16, Cole 14, West 4, Scavner 8, Pearson 9, Rivers 12.

Elba (60): Daniels 7, McKinnon 10, Rowe 11, Jones 13, Barnes 5, Stoudemire 7, Boggan 7.

Elba B team stands at 5-2

The Elba Tigers B team won two of three games last week to up their record to 5-2 for the season. The Tigers opened the week with a 41-39 loss to Clayton, but bounced back to defeat Louisville 52-47 and Opp 52-47.

Following are highlights of all three games:

CLAYTON 41 ELBA 39
Clayton rallied in the final stanza to defeat the Tigers 41-39. The score was knotted 25-25 at the half and the Tigers led 34-33 going into the final stanza, but scored only five points in the fourth quarter to allow Clayton to rally for the win.

Tim Whitfield scored 14 points for Elba, while White scored 14 for Clayton.

C'ton (41): Billins 1, Clark 3, Grubbs 2, Blakely 4, Pearson 8, White 14, Smith 9.

Elba (39): Whitfield 14, Goosby 8, Miller 9, McMillan 8.

LOUISVILLE 47 ELBA 52
The Tigers pulled ahead in the third quarter and then pulled away

in the final stanza to thump Louisville 58-47. Louisville owned a 12-6 lead after one stanza and still led 29-26 at the half; only to see the Tigers pull ahead in the third quarter and never look back!

Dee Miller scored 16 points for Elba, while Terry Goosby added 14.

Elba (58): N. Whitfield 4, T. Whitfield 9, Goosby 14, Ware 6, Miller 16, Chism 2, McMillan 5, Thigpen 2.

L'ville (47): Eaton 7, Lane 7, Bush 14, Glenn 6, Taylor 2, McKinnon 3, Johnson 8.

ELBA 52 OPP 47
The Tigers rallied in the final stanza to defeat Opp 52-47. Elba pulled ahead early in the game and led 13-11 after one quarter, only to see Opp rally to go on top 26-25 at the half and carry a 35-34 lead into the final stanza. The Tigers, sparked by the scoring of Dee Miller and Tim Whitfield, staged a rally of their own late in the game; however, and claimed the win.

Tim Whitfield and Dee Miller scored 13 points each for Elba, while Rodgers scored 17 for Opp.

Elba (52): N. Whitfield 8, T. Whitfield 13, Goosby 8, Ware 2, Miller 13, McMillan 6.

Opp (47): Ware 7, Rayburn 2, Edwards 15, Richards 4, Lord 2, Rodgers 17.

YOUTH BASKETBALL TO RESUME SEASON ON SATURDAY, JAN. 20
The Youth Basketball League will swing back in action Saturday, January 20, at the Elba High School gym with four games on the schedule.

The league, sponsored by the Elba Department of Parks and Recreation, will continue its season each Saturday until February 17. Following is the schedule for this week's games:

SATURDAY, JAN. 20
9:00 - Bucks vs. Pistons
10:00 - Lakers vs. Nets
11:00 - Bulls vs. Spurs
12:00 - Celtics vs. Hawks



Elba's Curry Jones goes high to score in recent Tiger action. Elba upped its record to 6-5 last week led by the scoring and rebounding of Jones, a 6-3 junior, center.

Elba rallies in final stanza to cool off Red Devils 73-60

The Elba Tigers staged a furious fourth quarter rally last Tuesday night to defeat the Louisville Red Devils 73-60, in front of a large crowd at the Elba gym.

The win evened the Tigers record at 5-5 and improved their Area 3 slate to 3-1, while Louisville saw its record dip to 5-7 with the loss.

Louisville came out ready to play and surprised the Tigers by abandoning their usual deliberate style of play for a wide-open attack. The Devils jumped on top from the opening tip and by the end of the stanza held a 14-10 lead.

Elba began to settle into its game in the second quarter and behind the scoring of Curry Jones and Bennie Daniels matched the Devils shot for shot to go in at the half trailing 31-27.

Curry Jones continued to dominate the action inside in the third quarter as the Tigers picked up the pace, but Louisville wasn't about to throw in the towel and outscored Elba 19-18 to stretch its lead to 50-

45. Louisville's lead went to 8 points early in the final stanza; however, the Tigers tightened their defense and used an aggressive full-court press to catch the Devils at 56-56.

Bennie Daniels hit 6 of 6 free-throws in the closing minutes of the game and Jones never backed down inside as the Tigers outscored Louisville 17-4 down the stretch to claim the big win!

Curry Jones, a 6-3 junior, scored a season high 24 points to lead the Tigers, while Ronald McKinnon added 16 and Bennie Daniels added 14. Kenneth Hunter scored 14 for Louisville and Rodney Banks added 12.

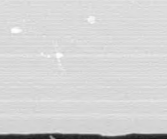
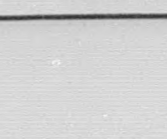
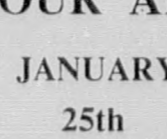
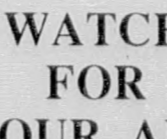
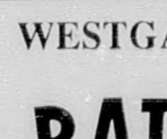
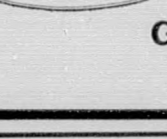
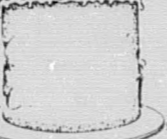
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Elba (73): Daniels 14, McKinnon 16, Rowe 7, Jones 24, Stoudemire 7, Boggan 1.

L'ville (60): Helms 3, Morris 8, Herring 9, Banks 12, Beacham 4, Daniel 4, Hunter 14, Thornton 6.

HAPPY 16TH BIRTHDAY JACK B.

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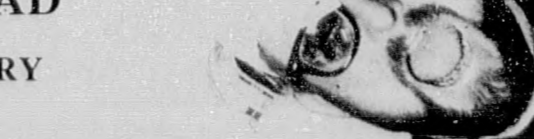


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Elba 8th graders claim county title

The Elba 8th Grade Tigers closed out a sparkling 10-3 season with a bang last weekend as they rolled to a pair of lopsided wins to claim the championship of the Coffee County 8th Grade basketball tournament.

The Tigers opened the annual county tourney with a 55-32 win over Enterprise and then demolished Dauphin, of Enterprise, 81-33, in the finals to take their first county championship.

"The players worked hard all season and this was a great way to cap off the year," stated Coach Frank Phillips. "This team saved its best for the tournament and it feels great to be the county champs. I am proud of each and every player for what they accomplished."

Following are highlights of the entire 8th grade tournament:

NEW BROCKTON 46 KINSTON 34

New Brockton outscored Kinston 12-0 in overtime to claim an exciting 46-34 win, in the opening round of the tourney.

New Brockton had led 30-21 going into the fourth quarter, but saw Kinston rally and then needed the overtime to claim the win.

Chris Green scored 16 points to lead New Brockton, while Robert Kilow and Terry Threats both added 11. Tracey Hall led Kinston with 14 points.

SEMIFINAL ROUND:

ELBA ENTERPRISE 55

Elba led from start to finish to post an easy 55-33 semifinal win over Enterprise.

The Tigers jumped out to a quick 15-6 lead over the Wildcats, extended their lead to 27-12 at the half and went ahead 44-21 before letting the reserves mop up the win.

Elba places second

Dauphin takes county 9th grade crown

The Dauphin Junior High Dolphins, of Enterprise, capped off an undefeated season last weekend by claiming the championship of the Coffee County Junior High basketball tournament.

Elba placed second in the annual event, while New Brockton took third place honors.

Following are highlights of the annual event, sponsored by the Elba Athletic Club:

ELBA ENTERPRISE 43

The Elba Tigers staged a furious

second half rally to surprise Enterprise Junior 51-43, in the opening round of the tourney.

The Tigers got off to a slow start and trailed 13-4 at the end of the first quarter and 25-15 at halftime, but rallied in the third quarter and by the end of the stanza had cut the lead to 34-32. The Tigers took command early in the fourth quarter, led by the lead and held on to defeat New Brockton 66-50.

New Brockton surprised the unbeaten Dolphins by grabbing an early 11-10 lead; however, Dauphin outscored the Gamecocks 21-16 in the second quarter to take a 31-17 halftime battle and never looked back in claiming the win.

Tovian Smith scored 27 points to lead Dauphin, while Tamario Edwards added 14 and Wally Bruce scored 11. Adrian Flowers scored 18 for New Brockton and Mark Edgar added 11.

Kinston Bulldogs bite Dozier 57-52

The Kinston Bulldogs improved their record to 6-4 Friday night with a hard fought 57-52 win over the Dozier Tigers, in Dozier.

Brandy Nobles scored 27 points and grabbed 9 rebounds to lead the Bulldogs to the Area 4 win, while Robert Laramore added 15 points and 9 rebounds and DeWayne Wiggins added 10 points.

New Brockton pounds Zion Chapel 78-48

New Brockton's Michael Smith hit three-point shots on four consecutive trips down the court in the second quarter Friday night as the Gamecocks blew open a close game and went on to rip the Zion Chapel Rebels 78-48, at New Brockton.

Robert Kilow scored 23 points and grabbed 16 rebounds to lead the Gamecocks to their 12th win in 13 games while Mike Cole added 17 points, Michael Smith 16 and Tony Newson 12. Steven Cole led Zion Chapel with 12 points.

Brantley turns back Bobcats 47-42

The Brantley Bulldogs rebounded from their upset loss in the SEAC Tournament by whipping the SA Opp Bobcats 47-42, last Tuesday night in Brantley.

Wesley Person scored 20 points and grabbed 9 rebounds to lead the 8-2 Bulldogs to the big win.

Zion Chapel Rebels nip Goshen 65-63

The Zion Chapel gave a large home crowd plenty to cheer about last Tuesday night as they turned back the Goshen Eagles 65-63, in an Area 3 matchup.

Freshman Tyrone Smith scored 18 points to pace the Rebels to their 8th win of the season, while Steven Cole led 16 points and Calvin Newson added 13. Jimmy Downing scored 8 points, pulled down 18 rebounds and blocked 4 shots. Tony Glasco led Goshen with 26 points.

Gamecocks dump Florala 65-60

The New Brockton Gamecocks continued to roll along undefeated in Area 3 play last week when they handed the Florala Wildcats a 65-60 setback at the Gamecock gym.

Malcolm Knox scored 20 points to lead New Brockton, while Robert Kilow added 15, Chris Lasseter 13 and Tony Newson 10. Carl Wilson led Florala with 21.

Kinston knocks off Pleasant Home 51-42

The Kinston Bulldogs rallied in the second half to dispose of the Pleasant Home Eagles 51-42, last week at the Big Dog gym.

The Bulldogs scored only six points in the opening stanza as Pleasant Home moved on top and at the half the Bulldogs went in on the short end of a 23-20 score. Kinston rallied to outscore the Eagles 11-4 in the third quarter to grab the lead and never looked back to claim the important Area 4 win.

Brandy Nobles scored 20 points and grabbed 9 rebounds to lead Kinston, while DeWayne Wiggins added 15 points and grabbed 12 rebounds.

DAUPHIN 45 NEW BROCKTON 41

Dauphin rallied in the second half to down New Brockton 45-41.

New Brockton led 21-19 at the half, but Dauphin rallied to go ahead 32-29 at the end of the third quarter and held on for the win.

Enterprise claimed third place honors with an exciting 42-39 win over New Brockton, while Tim Long added 12. Chris Green scored 16 points for New Brockton and Robert Kilow added 10.

CONSOLATION GAME:

Enterprise 42 NEW BROCKTON 39

Enterprise claimed third place honors with an exciting 42-39 win over New Brockton, while Tim Long added 12. Chris Green scored 16 points for New Brockton and Robert Kilow added 10.

New Brockton jumped ahead 11-6 in the first quarter, but Enterprise rallied to go on top 19-15 by the end of the second quarter and

really happy to win over in Opp against a very good Opp team," stated Coach Kennedy, "but we're still not consistent enough and we're making little mistakes that are keeping us in trouble. We have got to learn to be consistent and do the little things that can help us win. Until we do, every game

243 Students Named To Dean's List At ESJC

A total of 243 Enterprise State Junior College students were recently named to the Fall Quarter Dean's List.

Students qualifying for the Dean's List must be full-time students (scheduling 12 or more hours), and maintain a minimum of a 3.50 GPA during the quarter.

Students named to the Dean's List from this area include:

From Elba - Amelia L. Bedsole, Carol Ann Fudge, Amanda B. Han, Lisa R. Holcomb, Benita W. Hurley, Ginger M. Lindsey, Janice J. Morrow, Wendy D. Moulton, and Heather L. Wise.

From New Brockton - Dwayne Bowman, Audrey M. Copp, Mary C. Lassiter, Felicia Nolin, Julie

Phlake, Teresa Sirois and Annette Williams.

From Jack - Terre E. Knotts, From Kingston - Tania Joy Davis, Linda P. Hopkins, Jennifer L. Hutto, Gina L. Teel and Jonnie Williams.

Card Of Thanks

We would like to thank everyone for all the calls, visits, flowers, prayers, food, contributions, during the sickness and death of our loved one.

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Hatred stirreth up strife; but love covereth all sins.

In the lips of him that hath understanding wisdom is found; but a rod is for the back of him that is void of understanding.

The rich man's wealth is his strong city: the destruction of the poor is their poverty.

The labor of the righteous tendeth to life: the fruit of the wicked to sin. (Proverbs 10:11-16)

***of you, praying for you - Reverend Elbert Freeman, Mrs. Frenel Hammond, Elder Embria Sconiers, Mrs. Ola Cook, Mrs. Annie M. Siler, Mrs. Louise Hooks, Mrs. Turcie Jones, Mr. Buford Kelley, Mrs. Pearl Tillis.

***Laymen Department Program of the Rocky Head MB Church will be held on January 28, 1990 at 5:30 p.m.

The theme for this event is I will

lift up mine eyes unto the hills from whence cometh my help, my help cometh from the Lord which made heaven and earth. Psalms 121:1-2

Speaker will be Reverend Joe R. Parks, pastor of Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, Elba, AL.

Brother Wallace Belcher will serve as Master of Order.

***Dedication Service of Holy Tabernacle #2, Andalusia, will be held on January 21, 1990 at 2:00 p.m. with Elder J. Thomas serving as overseer. Elder E. Fogg, Jr. serves the church as pastor.

***Elba Zion Baptist Church Senior Choir Anniversary, will be held on January 21, 1990 at 2:00 p.m. Dr. John L. Grayer is the pastor.

The theme: I will sing of mercy and judgment unto, O Lord, will I sing. Psalm 101:1

Choirs involved will include Springfield, Mulberry Male Choir, Popular Spring, Pleasant Shade Intermediate, Bethlehem Sr. Choir, Rocky Head, Nazareth, Bethlehem Young Adult Choir, Oak Grove, Piney Grove, Mt. Zion - Brantley.

Friendship Gospel Chorus, St. Matthew - Brantley, and Nazareth Male Chorus.

Eddie Thomas, pastor of Mt. Sinai and Mary Magdalene Baptist Churches, Abbeville, was the guest speaker. The music was by the Rocky Head Young Adult Choir.

"Today is a good day. Be grateful."

Mr. Lindsey was happy to see everyone. That's the way it is when a birthday party is given for him by his three daughters: Vera Lindsey Williams, Elia Lindsey Belcher and Lucile Lindsey Rix.

The party was held at Gran's in Enterprise on Saturday, January 13, 1990 (His birthday is January 14).

Previously the dinners were held at his home on Rt. 2, Elba. But his daughters decided to change places this year. It was a good idea.

Those attending the party including the honoree were Grover Belcher, Jeanette Brooks, R. C. Carpenter, Annie Pearl, Brittany, Catherine, Nickolas, and Christina Evelyn Gully, D. J. Belcher, Corine Wilkerson, Eliza Page, Betty Refegge, Cora McBride, Annie Pearl Siler, Pat Porter, Anthony Kelley, Lucile Rix, Vera Williams and Elia Belcher, all of Elba.

Wiley and Juanita Brooks, Charlene Barry, and Nettie R. Hogan, Enterprise, Ruthie M. Bass, New Brockton; Kimberly Rix, O'Pp, Rodrick Rix, and Cynthia Starks, Brantley.

Mr. Lindsey is a gentleman of the "old school". (He still tips his hat to all the ladies)

He is a member of Rocky Head MB Church, a deacon and a member of the Deacon Board, Ministers, Deacons and Laymen's Union, Mulberry Missionary District Association, N.A.A.C.P., World War I veteran and a member of Silver Square Lodge 381, Elba and a member of several other organizations.

His children call him "daddy", grandchildren "Pappa Tillman", and great-grandchildren "Pappa Tillman".

Mr. Lindsey says, "I try to live one day at a time and live it fully and gratefully. God has been and still is good to me. My wife, Nettie R. Lindsey (now deceased) was a great inspiration to me but now my friends have added to my joy of living during these past years. Last Saturday (13th) my friends and relatives, the cards and telephone calls made my day!

A CREED

***I will ignore the lags and names given by my society since only I know what I have the ability to become. I will continue to let society predict, but only I can determine what I will, can and cannot do.

This creed should make achievers out of black students who have been written off by the system as failures.

Marva Collins

***A memorial program was held Sunday, January 14, 1990 honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. at the Mulberry Educational Building on Highway 166, Elba.

Reverend J. G. Chatman, Moderator, Theme was Reflecting on the life of a great role model. Reverend

David C. Macon

David Carroll Macon of Fort Rucker was named to the Troy State University Dean's List for the Fall Quarter.

Macon is a freshman at Troy State University, where he is a pre-engineering major.

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Amy Walker Celebrates 5th Birthday

Amy Walker celebrated her 5th birthday with a party on December 30, 1989, at McDonald's in Lufkin. Guests enjoyed birthday cake, ice cream and soft drinks. Helping Amy celebrate were her parents and sister, Steve, Jami and Brittany Walker, Jessica and Jill Smith, Natalie Helms, Samantha Manning, Hillary Godwin, Aunt Kay, Brandee and Tiffany Farris. Amy received many lovely gifts.

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Elba Heart Association To Sponsor CPR Class

The Elba Unit of the American Heart Association is sponsoring a CPR class on January 19 and 20. This class offers Basic Life Support plus children's CPR.

Classes will meet on Friday, January 19 from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m., and Saturday, January 20 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Contact Dr. Donald Crook at 897-2059 for registration procedures.

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RaShawnda Reese Whitefield Celebrates Birthday

RaShawnda Reese Whitefield celebrated her 2nd birthday, January 6, 1990, at her home in Enterprise, Alabama. Celebrating with RaShawnda were her mother, Brenda, several aunts, uncles and friends. Refreshments included cake, cookies, soft drinks, candy and popcorn. RaShawnda received many nice gifts.

Mr. And Mrs. Davis Entertain New Year's Eve

Sam and Lejune Davis hosted a barbecue on New Year's Eve at their home in Kinross, Alabama. Despite the heavy rain, the day was very enjoyable.

Ruth Bass of Headland, Alabama, along with his mother, Mrs. Betty Bass, prepared the meal. Other guests were Nafel and Peggy Nelson of Brantley, Alabama; Vince Pruitt, of Brantley, Alabama; Jackie and Pat Hodge, of Dothan, Alabama; Claud and Lynn Johnson of Goshen, Alabama; Lex and Dorothy Helms of Goshen, Alabama; Benny and Stephanie Turner of Skipperville, Alabama; Sam and Irene Davis, of Elba, Alabama; Billy and Sharon Meeks, of Elba, Alabama; Sonya Armstrong of Brantley, Alabama; and Leigh Edgar of Andalusia, Alabama. The afternoon was spent in reminiscence of last year's racking horse shows by watching videos.

Coffee County Humane Society To Meet Feb. 6th

The Coffee County Humane Society will meet on February 6, 1990, at 7:00 p.m. in the basement of the Enterprise City Hall building. All interested persons are invited to attend.

Opp Jaycees Seeking Seeking Rattlesnake Queen

A queen is being sought to reign over the 1990 Rattlesnake Rodeo in Opp, Alabama the first weekend in March.

The Beauty Pageant is set for Saturday, February 17 at 7:00 p.m. in the Opp High School auditorium. Contestants must be at least a high school junior, and not over 21 years of age.

The queen will receive a \$1500 scholarship; 1st alternate a \$750 scholarship; and the 2nd alternate a \$500 scholarship. For more information contact: The Opp Jaycees, P. O. Box 596, Opp, Alabama 36347, or phone (205) 493-9559.

Enterprise Junior Women's Club To Hold Evening Dance

The Enterprise Junior Women's Club invites you to spend an evening dancing to the sounds of "Silk", on Saturday February 3, at the Fort Rucker Officer's Club from 8:00 p.m. - 12:00 p.m.

This band is experienced in playing a wide variety of music.

Tickets are \$10.00 each and may be purchased from an EJWC member, Yancey Parker/Westgate, Bryars Fashion/Downtown Enterprise, Harco Drugs/Boll Weevil Plaza, Starship Records and Tapes/Enterprise Shopping Center or Wilbro Shopping Center/Dothan and the Ozark Chamber of Commerce. For more information call Lynn McCreary at 393-2453 or Frances Strickland at 347-3464.

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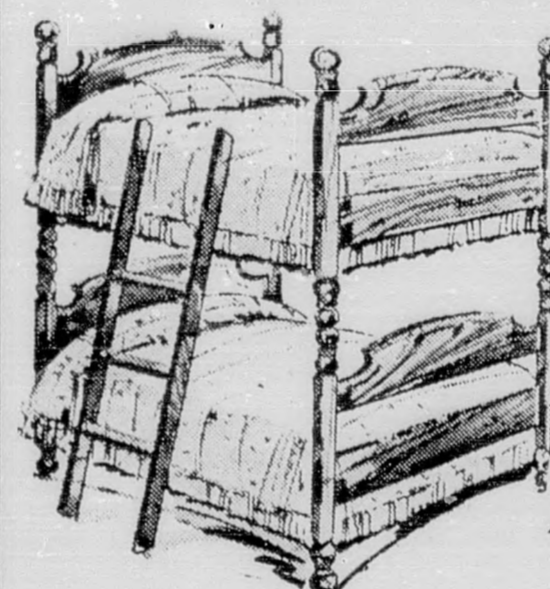


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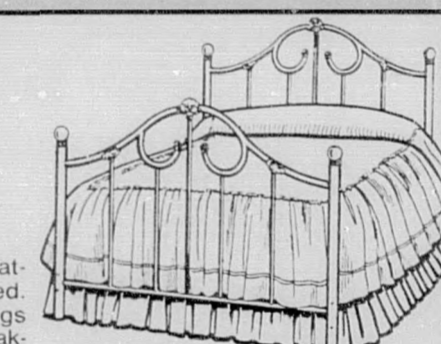
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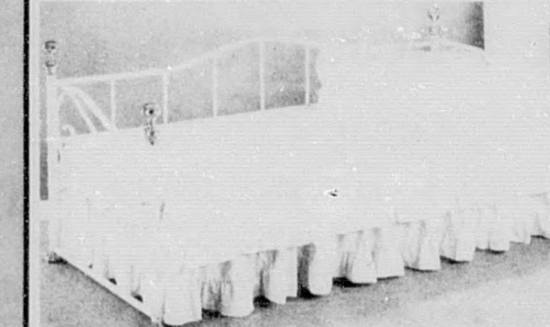


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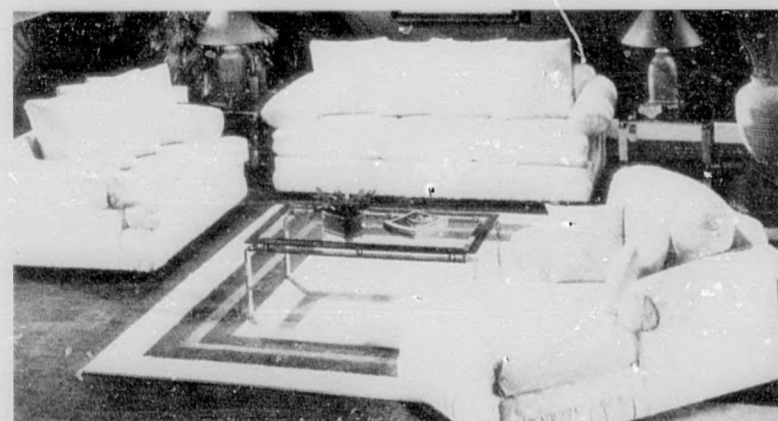
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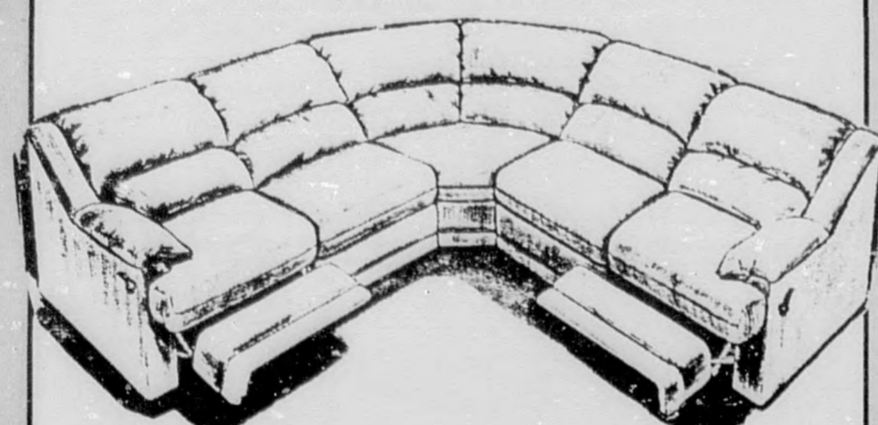
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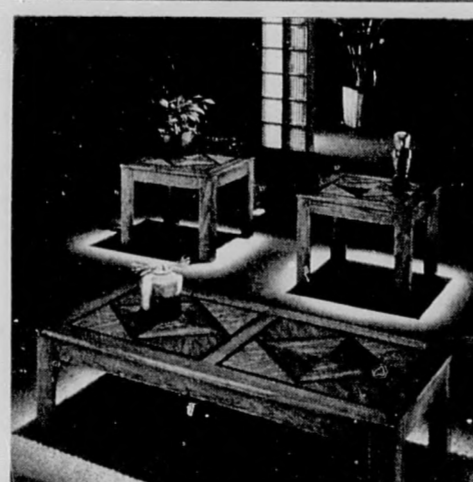


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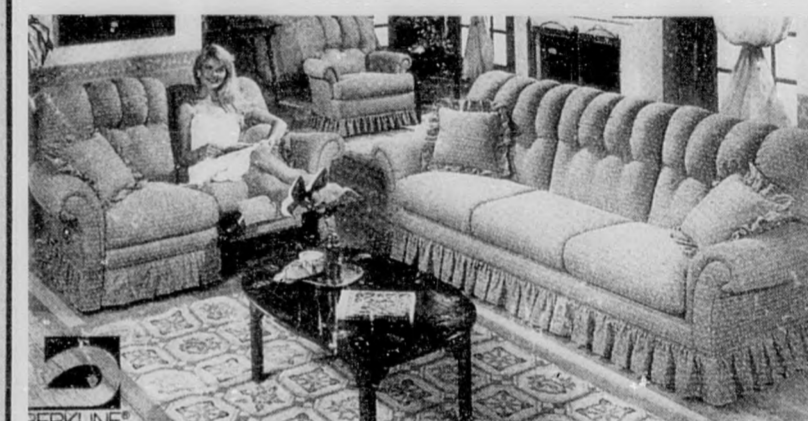
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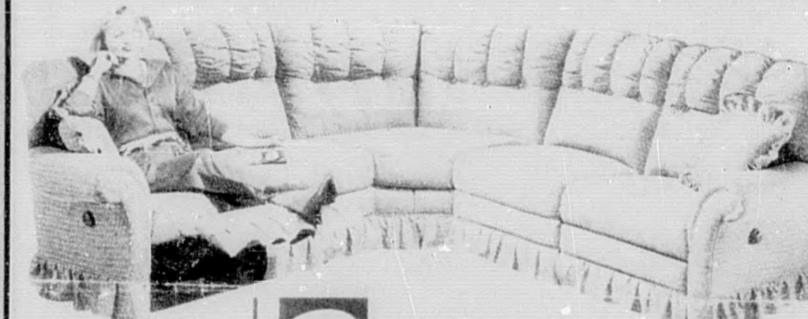
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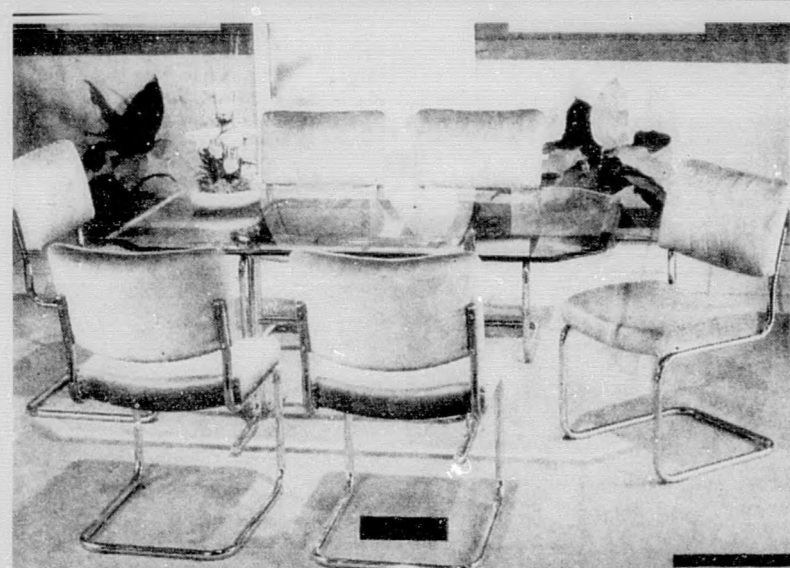
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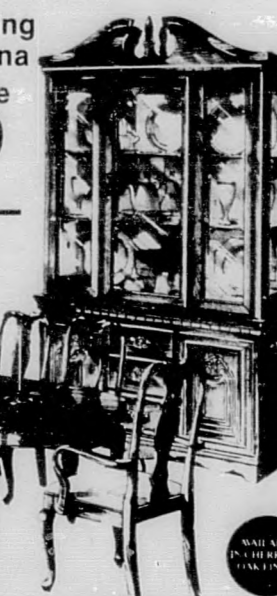
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DAANGEROUS ROAD CONDITION

New Brockton city councilmen question payment of city bills

A large number of New Brockton's citizens continue to monitor the city council meetings.

The meeting on Tuesday night, January 16, was no exception to the rule as a standing-room only crowd was on hand when it was called to order.

All councilmen and the mayor were in attendance.

Everything was smooth sailing until it came time to pay the bills totaling \$2,459.91.

The wrecker bill from Ed Shering Ford once again appeared on the list. Councilman Charles Cole asked if this was the same bill as week before last and was told that it was.

He, Cole, said that his stand was the same as last week. The wrecker bill for towing a car per the police department's request should not be paid because, in his opinion, it was uncalled for. Councilman Britt Lee agreed with Cole.

Mayor Jim Driskell told the council that the police department had requested the wrecker bill totaling \$45 along with a bill from McClain's in the amount of \$152.39 for patches and decals and also, a bill from Dixie Electric amounting to \$52.89 for wiring done on a police car, be paid from \$330 donated to the city by the school for the police department.

The officers had directed traffic at all the home ballgames during football season on their own time.

Councilman Cole again stated that he would not agree to this either because the funds, once donated, became city funds.

Councilman Lee was in favor of paying all the bills except the wrecker bill in question.

The mayor called for a vote on paying all the bills as listed.

Councilmen Bud Goodson, Laymon Tindal, and Ralph Medley voted for and Councilman Cole and Lee against.

Finally, the bills were paid! Bernarr M. Bowdoin appeared before the council questioning where the city was obtaining the \$100,000 to match the \$250,000 grant from the federal government for the sewage project and how was it going to be repaid.

He also asked if the same agreement between the city and the federal government concerning the water system applied to the sewage system.

The agreement being, quoting Bowdoin, "Thou shalt not give (at no-charge) water to anybody - except for public fire protection!"

Bowdoin said that he understood that the city had not been paying for water or sewage and was therefore, in effect, collecting a hidden tax from the citizens to pay for this free usage.

Mayor Driskell answered Bowdoin by stating that the city was borrowing the \$100,000 from a local bank and that the sewage fees collected would be used to repay the loan.

The mayor said that in all likelihood sewage fees will be increased by about \$2.

As to the "hidden tax", the mayor's answer was that the city had agreed to provide rent-free space to the water and sewage departments in exchange for free water and sewage service.

"This has been going on from the beginning", said the mayor.

A lengthy discussion ensued about Byrd Mill Road after Gerald and Chris Becker expressed their grave concern over the possibility of children being seriously injured or killed.

Mr. Becker said the road is in real bad shape especially the area approaching the bridge.

The mayor called ended up in the ditch, Becker stated, and the school bus loaded with children is going to have a serious accident if something isn't done about the road.

Mayor Driskell told the group that the city was in the process of getting a water line lowered (buried deeper) so that the proper work can be done on the road to improve its passability.

The county, he said, will help in this matter as soon as the work has been performed on the road.

Councilman Cole also related to the group that he had inspected the road condition with Commission Chairman Billy Eagerton. Eagerton told Cole that he would see what he could get done to improve the road in the interim period.

Councilman Medley said, "The townspeople could help prevent roads from washing out by keeping the debris and stuff cleaned out of the sewer pipes."

Other citizens present urged the council to make necessary repairs on all the city's streets.

Bernarr Bowdoin commented, "Let the county take over the roads - give them all the road tax money (tax on gasoline) and let them maintain them."

With the agenda finished, the mayor asked each member of the council if they had any matters to bring before the body.

Councilman Lee asked what was wrong with the police car not in service.

The mayor informed the council that the policeman driving the car hit a deer answering a call.

Driskell said the car is covered with insurance except for \$50 and would be repaired.

Councilman Cole asked for an update as to the status of the two police officers (Jackson & Gilbert).

Mayor Driskell said according to the chief of police the two officers were primarily working the day shift only.

Other matters attended to by the council was as follows:

***Requested further information concerning the Summer Food Service Program before taking any action.

***Voted to install an outside light for security at the post office and the side entrance of city hall.

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Jail is main topic at Coffee County Commission meeting

The Coffee County Commission met in regular session at the Elba courthouse January 22 at 9 a.m. with all commissioners present.

Considering a considerable amount of the commission's meeting time was the discussion centering around building and funding a new county jail.

The commission voted to draft a letter to the local legislators, Representative Jimmy Holley and Senator Crum Foshee, asking that they pass legislation allowing the collection of a 1/2¢ sales tax.

Commissioners Bill Faulk and Sid Averett abstained from voting on the issue. Both commissioners stated that they were opposed to the tax in the beginning; therefore, they were opposed to asking the legislators to enact legislation to impose the tax. However, they said they were in favor of asking the local legislators for help in securing some method of funding a jail.

Commissioner Jim Dubose said, "The facts are: one, we've got to build a jail and two, we've got to pay for it - we have no choice. For the county to pay for the construction without additional revenue will bankrupt Coffee County."

Commissioner Dubose said that county services would have to be drastically cut as would funding to other county agencies. This could be devastating to the continued growth of Coffee County.

Commissioner Faulk stated that he felt that the local legislative delegation should step out and assume a leadership role in helping solve this dilemma.

In addition to sending the letter of request to the legislators, the commission voted to send a letter to all county department heads and county agencies instructing them not to make any firm obligations based on appropriations of county funds.

Chairman Eagerton told the commissioners, "we are at a very critical time."

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Presenting to the commission an indepth study made of the county's eleven rural water systems were representatives of Southeast Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission.

Susanna Blair, project coordinator, related to the commissioners that the SARFDC had surveyed each water system and the report contained recommendations as to improvements that could be made to each one.

One of the main topics of discussion was the inter-connection of all the individual systems into one county-wide system.

This county-wide system would be under the management of one county water authority.

Larry Lee of SARFDC pointed out to the commission that the survey contained a list of immediate needs of each of the water systems and the projected cost and priority of completion of each one.

After a discussion of a variety of items contained in the study, the representatives from SARFDC told

the commissioners that this report will be going into the state data bank and would be updated periodically.

The commissioners were encouraged to study this survey and have input into the study.

Chairman Eagerton told the commissioners that he had asked Bolts & Ray to review their survey involving the Carmichael-Ballard and Enterprise courthouse properties.

He said that they had done so and stood by their original survey.

The commission instructed Eagerton to advise the Ballards and their attorney. If they wish to have another surveyor to survey the property, to do so as agreed to by the commission at the last meeting.

Chairman Eagerton informed the commissioners that the county was having to pay \$24,794.23 in overtime pay to members of the sheriff's department.

This was the results of the audit performed by Federal Wage and Hour Board and covered a two year period of time.

Involved in this audit were 28 different individuals and the payments ranged from \$3751.83 to \$14,400.

This settlement does not include the deputies involved in a lawsuit concerning overtime.

In reference to the lawsuit, the commissioners instructed Chairman Eagerton to inform the attorney for the deputies (Bill Stokes) to prepare to go to court. There will be no settlement.

The commissioners expressed concern about overtime and the county's ability to pay in the future. Commissioner Jim Dubose stressed the need for department heads to do everything within their power to adhere to their budgeted payroll.

The following items of business were also addressed by the commission:

***Awarded bid to Tractor Equipment of Montgomery in the amount of \$5544 for replacement caps to be installed on the compactor used at the landfill.

***Awarded bid for traffic signs to Vulcan Signs of Foley in the amount of \$4,868.22.

***Awarded bid for unleaded gasoline to Heath Oil of Enterprise in the amount of 884¢ per gallon.

***Signed two resolution in order to secure state funding for widening and resurfacing County Roads 34 (from Hwy. 167 to Hwy. 27) and 18 (from Co. Rd. 43 to Enterprise city limits).

***Randy Tindal advised that the projects on Co. Rds. 14, 43 & 18 were complete.

***Commissioner Robert Stephens was authorized to sign checks in Chairman Eagerton's absence.

The meeting adjourned until Monday, January 29 at 9 a.m.

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SENATOR SHELBY ADDRESSES GROUP

SHELBY DON'T TRUST THE RUSSIANS!

U.S. Senator Richard Shelby meets with constituents at Elba City Hall

In keeping with a campaign promise he made, United States Senator Richard Shelby held a forum at city hall in Elba on Wednesday, January 17.

Mayor Fred Moore introduced the Senator to the crowd of approximately 50 constituents by telling them they could probably get anything they want.

Senator Shelby said, "In the next two or three months, I'll be traveling all over the state of Alabama. It's good for me in that it gives me some good ideas on how to represent the people and doesn't let me forget my roots."

Everything I do in Washington affects you here in Coffee County", said Shelby.

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would be impossible to please everyone but by voting he will be representing the people and not just there!

Matters from foreign to solid waste were touched on by the Senator during the forum.

When asked if he trusted the Russians? Absolutely not! I believe if the Russian people ever had free elections like we do and the freedom to choose, we might have less problems.

On defense, the Senator said as a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, the nation spends \$340 billion on defense and Ft. Rucker benefits from this.

"I don't think we ought to cut back on our defense needs to fast," said Senator Shelby. "We ought to be cautious in what we do and we

want to be sure that what we do has long range implications rather than short range."

"We do not want to demobilize so fast, and I think we need to, at all times, prepare ourselves to defend our interests throughout the world," he said.

The Senator told the group that keeping Ft. Rucker growing would continue to be his objective.

Senator Shelby said that he had supported the farm bill completely and would continue to do so.

Mayor Moore asked the Senator to support the establishment of a veterans medical clinic in Dothan and would continue to do so.

According to Moore the closest veterans medical facility is in Montgomery.

Responding to Probate Judge Marion Brunson's request, the Senator said he supports legislation to improve the solid waste problem.

I think all of our pollution and environmental problems are tough - we've come a long way," said Shelby, "but county governments are trying to set up regional landfills and there is a cost on that."

The Senator also voiced his opposition to Alabama, Sumter County, being used as a toxic waste dumping ground for the nation.

"I would like to close the dump down and have the stuff removed from Alabama," he said. "I'm going to support legislation to mandate that states dispose of their own waste."

Sheriff Bruce Paul expressed his appreciation for the Senator's support of the Drug Forfeiture Bill. The sheriff said that it had really helped in fighting drugs.

The Senator also voiced his support of using the military in the "War on Drugs". "It is a war and we need to do everything possible to win it," he said.

Senator Shelby thanked those present for the attendance and committed to continue to "stay-in-touch" with the people of south Alabama. He mingled with the crowd before leaving for Enterprise where he was to spend the night.

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